

Follow-up audit of the implementation of key recommendations: Bern railway station

Regionalverkehr Bern-Solothurn

Key points

As part of the overall concept for the future of Bern railway station, Regionalverkehr Bern-Solothurn (RBS) is to build a new RBS station below the existing SBB platforms by 2029. There is a credit facility of CHF 731 million for the RBS station. The Swiss Federal Audit Office (SFAO) conducted a construction audit of Bern railway station at RBS in 2021.⁴ The audit focused on RBS's project management and steering, and the SFAO issued six recommendations. As part of this follow-up audit, the SFAO examined the implementation of the 2021 recommendations.

All six recommendations have been implemented.

Greater transparency and reduced risks

Project transparency has been improved by adjusting the final cost projection, among other things. The project management has revised the breakdown of powers and tasks, included the deputies in the project manual and implemented consistent application of the dual control principle. In this way, potential risks, such as vulnerability to fraud and susceptibility to errors, have been further reduced. Key manuals for the project have been updated and their content expanded. This has improved the understanding of tasks, roles and powers, and ensured that standards are applied in a uniform manner.

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⁴ The audit report (audit mandate 21422) is available on the SFAO website